

## April 15, 2011

Emergency dispatchers staffing the City's 24-hour Emergency Communications
Center at Police Headquarters are being honored this week, along with 911
operators from across the Country. This week is National Public Safety
Telecommunicators Week, set aside to celebrate the service of those who provide the vital link between those in need of help and those capable of providing it. During this special week of recognition, the men and women of the Franklin Police Department, Franklin Fire Department and all of our City family publicly acknowledge our appreciation for the dedicated professionals whose careers under the headset help to keep Franklin safe and sound. Thank you for your service to the community!

The Parks Department is celebrating Arbor Day tomorrow at Pinkerton Park from 10am-2pm. The day features a tour of Fort Granger, tree climbing, canoe rides, a bicycle rodeo and free tree saplings. For more information go to <a href="www.franklintn.gov">www.franklintn.gov</a>. Also the Parks department is hosting their first tournament of the year this weekend. It's the Spring Fling and we will have about 24-25 teams. They will be playing at Liberty Park and Jim Warren Park, Friday night through Sunday night. We will also be having regular rec. games going on at the same time so needless to say it will be a busy weekend.

Thursday Franklin Firefighters Joe Posey and Rondell Clark and Franklin Police officers Mike Adcock, Rachel Gober, Jim Grummons and Gino Fantoni, and Williamson Medical Center EMS participated in an all day educational event highlighting the Emergency Medical Services class at Centennial High School. The day featured a DUI Prom night crash scene simulation and an emergency vehicle tour.

The City of Franklin Streets Department recently installed several additional directional signs as part of the Way Finding Sign Program. The signs direct visitors to various historic sites as well as to City Hall, Downtown Franklin, and O'More College of Design. There are now ten (10) Way Finding signs throughout the City. The first signs were installed in early 2010 at Hwy96 E at Pinkerton Park. The new signs are located on Columbia Avenue & West Fowlkes; Liberty Pike at Franklin Road; Franklin Road at the bridge over the Harpeth; and Franklin Road at Mack Hatcher. The Streets Department created these attractive, effective signs at a very low cost to the City.



Monique McCullough from our Communications Division is this week's winner of the Mayor's parking spot. Monique was nominated by Kevin Comstock. Kevin said, "When someone does an exceptional job every day, it's hard to pick one out that stands above the rest. Such is the life of Monique. I have had the absolute privilege of working with her for the past 6 years on traffic events downtown and around the city. In the entire 6 years she has always had a smile on her face and a warmth in her voice that makes every encounter with her a pleasant one. She is the consummate professional and if you ask Monique for something or to do something, you "know" that it's done. I cannot think of a single other person in the City that delivers perfection every day of the week other than Mo." If you see someone doing a good job, please take a moment and nominate them for this one week luxury. Email agoodjob@franklintn.gov with your nominations. We'll keep them on file for a drawing each Monday. Monique, you can begin your parking reign this Monday April 18-22. Congratulations!

Thanks for all you do! Have good weekend.

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